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The Honorable Bill Hardiman, Chair  
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The Honorable Rick Schaffer, Chair  
House Appropriations Subcommittee on DHS  
State Capitol  
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Dear Senator Hardiman and Representative Shaffer:

The enclosed reports are provided pursuant to PA 147 of 2005 Section 514, the Department of Human Services (DHS) Fiscal Year 2006 Appropriations Act, and Sections 722.629a and 722.628d (5) & (6) of 1975 PA 238, the Child Protection Law. These sections require that DHS provide information on Children's Protective Services (CPS) statistical data, and a list of significant CPS policies implemented in the proceeding fiscal year.

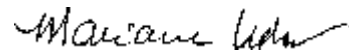
The enclosed information includes the following:

1. A listing of Children's Protective Services program definitions.
2. The total number of reports of abuse or neglect received, investigated, and substantiated in 2005.
3. The number of cases classified under categories I through V.
4. The number of cases in category III that escalated to category I or II.
5. "Victims of Abuse and Neglect" report, which includes a breakdown of the age, race, and gender of child victims.
6. "Perpetrators of Abuse and Neglect" report, which includes the perpetrator's relationship to the victim(s) and the type of abuse/neglect substantiated (listed on central registry).
7. "Source of Complaints" report, which includes both mandated and non-mandated reporters, their relationship to the victim, and the percentage of their complaints that are substantiated.

8. A listing of significant CPS policy changes effective in 2005.

If you have any questions, comments, or would like additional information, please contact Ted Forrest at (517) 335-3704.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marianne Udow".

Marianne Udow

cc: Senate and House Appropriations Subcommittee on DHS  
Senate and House Fiscal Agencies  
Senate and House Policy Offices  
State Budget Office

1. Children's Protective Services Definition of Trend Report  
Fiscal Year 2005

**Complaint/ Referral:** The actual oral report taken by a Children's Protective Service (CPS) intake worker from a reporting persons that is entered into a database system at the DHS local offices.

**Assigned for Investigation:** Complaints that are assigned to for investigation by CPS worker.

**Rejected/Screened Complaint:** A complaint that is not assigned for investigation because of one of six possible criteria:

1. Already investigated. The complaint is essentially the same as an incident that has already been investigated or already assigned for investigation.
2. Discounted after Preliminary Investigation - Collateral contacts are made by the agency to a reliable person that provides credible accurate information that proves the suspicions of the complaint are unfounded.
3. Complaint does not meet Child Protection Law definition of child abuse/neglect.
4. No reasonable cause. The complaint is reported by second and third hand sources. CPS is unable to establish any basis in fact for the suspicion.
5. Referring person is unreliable and not credible - This is an extreme situation that has to have significant documentation.
6. Withdrawn with cause. Based on new information, the complainant withdraws the complaint before the investigation commences and there is insufficient reason to proceed.

**Confirmed:** Cases investigated that were found to have a preponderance of evidence also known as substantiated.

**Non Preponderance:** Case investigated that were unsubstantiated.

**Investigated:** Cases that were investigated by CPS worker and disposed on the PSMIS database system.

**Central Registry:** Listing of perpetrator's who has been substantiated for child abuse and/or neglect. These are category II and I cases.

**Type of Perpetrator:** The role of individuals that have been substantiated for abuse and/or neglect.

**Mandated Reporting Sources:** The individual defined under the CPL722.623 required to report child abuse and or neglect.

**Non-Mandated Reporting Sources:** All other individuals that are not listed under the CPL 722.623 as mandated reporters.

1. Children's Protective Services Definition of Trend Report  
Fiscal Year 2005

**Category V** – The disposition of a case that was investigated where CPS found no evidence. Further intervention by CPS is not warranted.

**Category IV** - The disposition of a case that was investigated where CPS found there was not a preponderance of evidence of child abuse and/or neglect. CPS may assist the family in accessing community-based services.

**Category III** – The disposition of a case that was investigated where CPS found there was a preponderance of evidence of child abuse or neglect, and the SDM risk level is low or moderate. CPS must assist the family in receiving community-based services commensurate with the risk to the child.

**Category II** – The disposition of a case that was investigated where CPS found a preponderance of evidence of child abuse and/or neglect and the SDM risk level is high or intensive. CPS must open a protective service case and provide services.

**Category I** - The disposition of a case that was investigated where CPS found a preponderance of evidence of child abuse and/or neglect and the Child Protection Law or policy requires a petition for court action. Petition case.

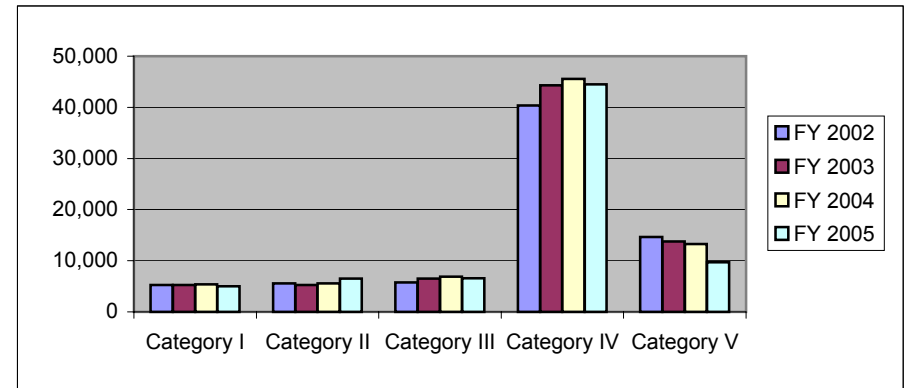
2, 3 4. Children's Protective Services Program Summary for FY 2005

Cases	FY1995	FY1996	FY1997	FY1998	FY1999	FY2000	FY2001	FY2002	FY2003	FY2004	FY2005
Total Complaints Received	121,240	124,135	125,049	129,959	127,729	128,982	130,890	133,763	136,603	135,775	<b>128,854</b>
Screened Cases*	48,785	47,567	44,640	40,418	37,220	38,049	42,103	49,123	49,837	50,431	<b>50,069</b>
Investigations	59,599	60,639	62,959	69,514	69,133	69,400	70,784	75,026	75,115	76,694	<b>72,286</b>

Category	Disposition of Completed Investigations		Category Definitions	Totals
I	5,006	6.93%	Substantiated-Court petition filed -Perpetrator on Central Registry.	Category I,II, and III Preponderance of evidence 18,110
II	6,509	9.00%	Substantiated-Case open for intensive services- Perpetrator on Central	
III	6,595	9%	Preponderance of Evidence-Case does not post perpetrators on Central	
IV	44,489	62%	Non-Preponderance of Evidence-Case is unsubstantiated.	Category IV and V Unsubstantiated cases 54,176
V	9,687	13%	No Evidence of Abuse and or Neglect.	
	72,286	100.00%		72,286

Category Trends from FY 2002 to FY 2005

	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005
Category I	5,285	5,251	5,368	5,006
Category II	5,548	5,265	5,598	6,509
Category III	5,744	6,536	6,881	6,595
Category IV	40,338	44,317	45,564	44,489
Category V	14,670	13,746	13,283	9,687



Category Shift from III to II within FY 2005	323 cases moved from a category III to a Category I or II
86 cases where a child was removed after escalating to a Category I or II	

5. Victim's of Abuse and Neglect

Department of Human Services  
Children's Protective Services Management Information  
Race and Age of Victims  
Report Number PS-31-F

	White			African American			Native American			Asian			Unknown			Latino/Spanish Surname			Total			
AGE	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	%
<1	1176	1008	2184	937	844	1781	10	10	20	4	4	8	76	63	139	44	41	85	2247	1970	4217	15%
1	490	488	978	270	265	535	9	5	14	3	1	4	7	6	13	28	31	59	807	796	1603	6%
2	506	469	975	262	255	517	10	6	16	2	1	3	1	7	8	26	30	56	807	768	1575	6%
3	483	511	994	251	239	490	9	6	15	4	3	7	5	4	9	37	31	68	789	794	1583	6%
4	494	475	969	263	228	491	8	8	16	1	4	5	8	6	14	43	42	85	817	763	1580	6%
5	459	508	967	245	245	490	8	5	13	1	3	4	9	9	18	36	33	63	752	803	1555	6%
6	427	415	842	242	236	478	12	10	22	5	3	8	14	6	20	40	32	72	740	702	1442	5%
7	460	426	886	240	251	491	4	4	8	5	2	7	8	11	19	35	29	64	752	723	1475	5%
8	410	393	803	262	233	495	13	4	17	1	3	4	4	3	7	32	26	64	728	662	1390	5%
9	391	383	774	249	209	458	8	4	12	5	5	10	6	6	12	27	24	51	686	631	1317	5%
10	426	371	797	250	228	478	5	3	8	3	4	7	14	5	19	19	25	44	717	636	1353	5%
11	396	424	820	289	239	528	6	8	14	1	2	3	6	4	10	27	33	60	725	710	1435	5%
12	428	400	828	257	279	536	5	9	14	2	5	7	11	10	21	34	26	60	737	729	1466	5%
13	427	493	920	285	279	564	7	11	18	1	5	6	12	10	22	19	36	55	751	834	1585	6%
14	391	526	917	238	331	569	4	8	12	4	6	10	12	6	18	18	23	41	667	900	1567	6%
15	287	543	830	198	311	509	5	4	9	2	5	7	12	10	22	14	29	43	518	902	1420	5%
16	267	420	687	116	232	348	5	3	8	1	4	5	5	10	15	11	25	36	405	694	1099	4%
17	121	179	300	75	114	189	3	3	6	0	4	4	4	5	9	6	8	14	209	313	522	2%
>17	3	4	7	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	4	9	0%
STATE TOTAL	8042	8436	16478	4930	5018	9948	132	111	243	45	64	109	214	181	395	496	524	1020	13859	14334	28193	100%
% Victims Race	58%			35%			Less than 1% of Victims are identified as Native American			Less than 1% of Victims are identified as Asian			2%			4%			100%			

## 6. Perpetrators of Abuse and Neglect

Department of Human Services  
Children's Protective Services Management Information  
Perpetrators of Abuse and/or Neglect  
Report Number PS-31H

Type of Maltreatment	Type of Perpetrator									Total	Percentage type of Maltreatment%
	Parent In Home	Siblings	Other Relative	Other Household Member	Day Care Provider	Foster Parent In Home	Institutional Staff	Parent out of Home	Other Perpetrator		
Physical Abuse	2877	21	164	229	11	17	1	485	238	4043	19%
Sexual Abuse	328	36	117	90	2	7	3	229	215	1027	5%
Mental Injury	170	2	8	9	0	0	0	54	10	253	1%
Physical Neglect	5457	13	104	107	2	1	0	480	139	6303	29%
Medical Neglect	407	0	4	2	0	4	0	38	4	459	2%
Abandonment	400	1	19	5	0	0	0	185	22	632	3%
Improper Supervision	2392	5	71	72	5	4	0	307	74	2930	13%
Failure To Protect	3093	13	60	81	2	8	0	304	113	3674	17%
Abuse/Neglect	823	20	53	71	0	4	0	135	86	1192	5%
Multiple Maltreatments	1055	10	43	46	0	3	0	134	36	1327	6%
Total	17002	121	643	712	22	48	4	2351	937	21840	100%
PercentageType of Perpetrator	78%	1%	3%	3%	0%	0	0	11%	4%	100%	

7. Source of Complaints

Department of Human Services  
Children's Protective Services Management Information  
Reporting Sources of Complaints  
Report Number PS-311

Non Mandated		
Title	Totals	% Sub
Hospital/Clin Personnel	287	31%
DHS Facility Personnel	368	23%
DCH Fac Personnel	96	14%
Other Pub Agency	469	23%
Private Agency	326	17%
Court Personnel	1019	31%
Other School Personnel	269	20%
Victim	330	22%
Relative (N-Parent/Sib)	5723	21%
Sibling	205	21%
Parent /Sub in Home	2172	23%
Parent /Sub out of Home	4149	12%
Anonymous	7735	8%
Friend/Neighbor	4488	15%
Other	4768	15%
Total Number Complaints	32404	16%

Mandated		
Title	Totals	%
Private Physican	719	23%
Hospital Clinic Physican	1170	27%
Corn/Med Exam	77	5%
Dentist	55	22%
Audiologist	5	20%
Nurse (non school)	1436	29%
School Nurse	335	27%
Teacher	2557	17%
School Admin	2344	21%
School Counselor	6465	20%
Law Enforcement Off	9309	42%
Child Care Provider	347	22%
Hosp/Clin Soc Wkr	4954	47%
DHS Fac Social Wkr	3301	26%
DCH Fac Social Wkr	710	20%
Other Pub Soc Wkr	2326	21%
Private Agy Soc Wkr	2508	19%
Court Soc Wkr	277	31%
All other Soc Wkr.	931	22%
Clergy	56	30%
Total Number of Complaints	39,897	30%



## **8. CHILDREN'S PROTECTIVE SERVICES**

### **SIGNIFICANT POLICY CHANGES**

**Fiscal Year 2005**

**May 2005**

#### **Abandonment Definition**

**CFP 711-5 page 5**

The definition for abandonment has been modified to better take into account those situations in which a child has been left in the care of a provider or agency who has not agreed to accept the responsibility of the child.

#### **Threatened Harm Definition**

**CFP 711-5 page 6**

A definition for Threatened Harm has been developed. This definition provides a basis for establishing what, the threat of harm to a child is. In the past, "threatened harm" has been included in Public Act 238, The Child Protection Law, as part of the definition of "Child Abuse". Until the release of this policy, no definition of "threatened harm" has been provided in either law or policy.

#### **Cases in Which an Alleged Perpetrator or Child Cannot Be Located**

**CFP 713-8 page 1**

This section of policy has been modified to provide concise instructions that a petition must be filed in situations in which a family or child cannot be located and allegations indicate a substantial risk of harm to a child.

#### **Worker Relief Project**

**CFP 712-8 page 4, 712-12 page 1 and 3, 713-9 page 9**

Several minor changes were made in policy to reduce redundant paperwork and to streamline processes and procedures

**August 2005**

#### **RELEASE OF CPS INFORMATION**

**CFP 717-4**

At the direction of the Agency's Bureau of Legal Affairs and Financial Integrity, CPS policy was changed to indicate that Children's Protective Services (CPS) records cannot be shared with the Friend of the Court (FOC) unless a court order has been issued ordering their release.